

Commodity Credit Corporation, USDA

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present additional information or a written closing statement; or

(3) The appellant's failure to timely present information to the reviewing authority.

(c) Assessment and collection of late payment interest, additional interest and administrative charges under this part may be waived by CCC in full, or in part, if it is determined that such action is in the best interest of CCC.

[54 FR 52878, Dec. 22, 1989, as amended at 56 FR 66956, Dec. 27, 1991]

§ 1403.11 Administrative appeal.

If the opportunity to appeal the determination has not previously been provided under part 24 or 780 of this title or any other appeal procedure, a debtor may obtain an administrative review under part 780 of this title, or other applicable appeal procedures, of CCC's determination concerning the existence or amount of a debt, if a request is filed with the authority who made the determination within 15 days of the date of CCC's initial demand letter, unless a longer period is specified in the initial demand letter.

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§ 1403.12 Additional administrative collection action.

Nothing contained in this part shall preclude the use of any other administrative or contractual remedy which may be available to CCC to collect debts owed to the Government.

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§ 1403.13 Contact with debtor's employing agency.

When a debtor is employed by the Federal Government or is a member of the military establishment or the Coast Guard, and collection by offset cannot be accomplished in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 5514, CCC may contact the employing agency to arrange for payment of the debt by allotment or otherwise, in accordance with section 206 of Executive Order No. 11222, May 8, 1965, 30 FR 6469.

§ 1403.14 Prior provision of rights with respect to debt.

CCC will not provide an administrative appeal with respect to issues

which were subject to administrative review at the debtor's request as provided under another statute or regulation before:

- (a) Effecting administrative offset;
- (b) Referring the debt to private collection or credit reporting agencies;
- (c) Referring the debt to the Office of Personnel Management (OPM) for salary offset against the current pay of a present or former Government employee; or
- (d) Referring the debt to IRS for tax refund offset.

§ 1403.15 Discharge of debts.

(a) Except as required by other applicable regulation or statute, a debt or part thereof owed CCC shall be discharged and the records and accounts on that debt closed in the following situations:

- (1) When an obligation or part thereof is discharged in bankruptcy;
- (2) When an obligation or part thereof is the subject of a final judgment entered by a court of competent jurisdiction which is adverse to CCC;
- (3) When a debt or part thereof is compromised and paid, the amount of such compromise;
- (4) When collection of a debt by administrative offset is barred in accordance with § 1403.7(s)(5).
- (b) A debt or part thereof owed CCC may be discharged and the records and accounts on that debt closed when the Controller, CCC, has determined that such action is in the best interest of CCC.

(c) A claims official or claims officer may discharge a delinquent debt if such debt arises under the terms of the authority delegated to such official or officer in the following circumstances:

- (1) The delinquent debt is owed by an entity which has been liquidated or dissolved and no legal remedy is feasible.
- (2) The delinquent debt is owed by an individual who:
 - (i) Is declared legally insane or incompetent;
 - (ii) Possessed of no assets or other means of payment; and
 - (iii) Possessed of no reasonable prospects of being able to pay the debt in the future.
- (3) The delinquent debt was incurred by an individual who is deceased, and